

Sexual Violence in North Carolina



What is Sexual Violence?

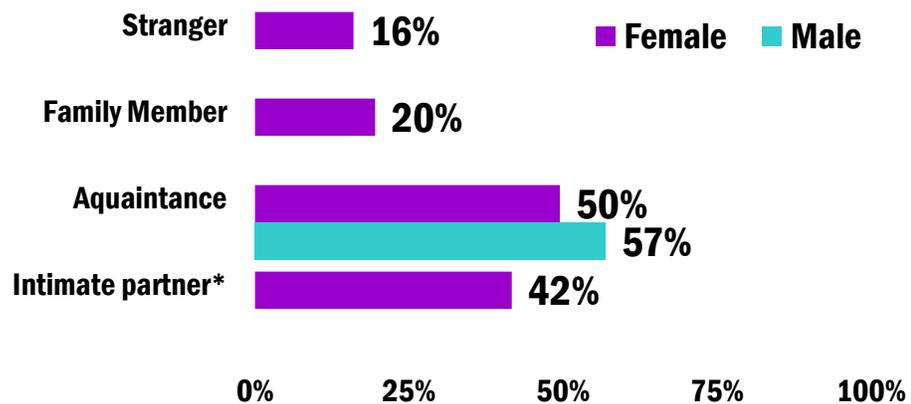
According to the CDC, Sexual violence is defined as a sexual act committed against someone without that person's freely given consent¹.

Reported Lifetime Sexual Violence for North Carolinians

48% of North Carolinians will become a victim of sexual violence in their lifetime².

1 out of 2 North Carolinians will or have experienced sexual violence in their lifetime².

Most sexual assault victims knew their perpetrator.²
Lifetime reports of sexual violence in NC by perpetrator



Nationally, 54% of women experience sexual violence compared to 46% of males³.

Effects and Costs of Sexual Assault

Physical bruising and soreness.

Mental depression, PTSD, suicidal thoughts or attempts.

Emotional shock, anger and blame, helplessness and fear.

Others: chronic fatigue, shortness of breath and sexual dysfunction.

Rape is the most costly crime in the United States, approximately

\$127 billion



to victims per year.

If you need any help or know of someone who is a victim of sexual assault call 1-800-656-4673.

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